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### REMARKS

In response to the Examiner's restriction requirement, Applicant has elected the invention of Group I, claims 1 – 12, without traverse. Accordingly, claims 13 – 20 have been withdrawn as they are directed to a non-elected invention.

In response to the Examiner's election of species requirement, Applicant hereby elects the following:


- in claim 4 the elected cyclic monomers are lactide and  $\epsilon$ -caprolactone;
- in claim 5 it is elected that at least two cyclic monomers are end-grafted onto the polyalkylene succinate and the two elected cyclic monomers are glycolide and  $\epsilon$ -caprolactone;
- in claim 8 it is elected that at least two cyclic monomers are end-grafted onto the polyalkylene glycol and the two elected cyclic monomers are lactide and trimethylene carbonate;
- the polyalkylene succinate of claim 6, polytrimethylene succinate, is elected; and
- the polyalkylene glycol of claim 9, polyethylene glycol, is elected.

Claims 1 – 6, 8, 9, 11, and 12 are readable on the elected species.

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